As a result of action taken by RBI, the amount involved in frauds; has gone down to a considerable extent in the year 2007-08 as compared to the year 2006-2007. Further, in the year 2007-2008, the amount involved in frauds as also its percentage to large value frauds has decreased considerably as compared to the year 2006-2007.

Revision in pay of military nursing services

1605. SHRIMATI BRINDA KARAT: Will the of PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry of Finance has received any memorandum on behalf of Military Nursing Services regarding the revision in their emoluments under the 6th Pay Commission; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The issues raised in the memoranda include rate of Military Service Pay, Grade Pay, Promotions, Maternity Leave, etc.

Fake currencies in banks

†1606. SHRI BHAGWATI SINGH:
SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA:
SHRI BRIJ BHUSHAN TIWARI:
Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that fake currency notes worth crores of rupees have been found in the chests of State Bank of India's Dumariaganj Branch in Sidharth Nagar District and at the Oriental Bank of Commerce at Ghaziabad in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the total worth of fake currencies recovered;

(c) whether such complaints have also been received from other parts of the country; and

(d) if so, the details of steps being taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL): (a) and (b) State Bank of India has reported that 76273 pieces of counterfeit notes of different denomination amounting to Rs. 4.02 crores were detected at their Dumariaganj Branch in Uttar Pradesh. As reported by Oriental Bank of Commerce, 1105 counterfeit notes of different, denomination amounting to Rs. 2,45,470/- were detected on 3 different occasions at Ghaziabad in Uttar Pradesh.

(c) Oriental Bank of Commerce has further reported that during the current financial year *i.e.* 2008-09, counterfeit notes worth Rs. 41805 have also been detected at its 4 other branches.

(d) Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has taken steps to check the circulation of fake currency in the country by ensuring optimum utilization of Note Sorting Machines installed at all currency chest branches and increasing the awareness of the public in identifying a genuine bank note through

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